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SUBJECT: EGYPT AND SYRIA TRADE INSULTS AT UNGA

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1. EGYPT AND SYRIA AIRED THEIR DIFFERENCES OVER THE SINAI AGREEMENT IN PUBLIC SEPT 30, EACH ATTACKING OTHER'S MOTIVES IN PLENARY GENERAL DEBATE. THIS IS THE FIRST INSTANCE IN USUN'S COLLECTIVE MEMORY THAT TWO ARAB GOVERNMENTS HAVE CLASHED AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OVER BASIC MIDDLE EAST POLICY.

2. THE EXCHANGE BEGAN WITH EGYPTIAN PERMREP MEGUID EXERCIZING RIGHT OF REPLY TO FONMIN KHADDAM'S ACCUSATIONS (REFTEL) THAT SINAI AGREEMENT ENHANCED ISRAEL'S OFFENSIVE POSITION, IGNORED PALESTINIAN RIGHTS AND, IN GENERAL, MOVED WORLD FURTHER FROM PEACE. MEGUID SAID BLUNTLY THAT KHADDAM'S VIEW WAS THAT OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE BA'ATH PARTY, NOT OF THE SYRIAN PEOPLE. EGYPT THOUGHT

IT REPREHENSIBLE THAT SYRIA SHOULD MISREPRESENT THE SINAI AGREEMENT WHILE IT PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE A SIMILAR AGREEMENT ITSELF. MEGUID SAID SYRIAN DISAPPROVAL SHOULD IN ANY CASE HAVE BEEN EXPRESSED AT A MEETING OF ARAB GOVERNMENT, NOT PUBLICLY AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

3. AT END OF DAY'S DEBATE, SYRIAN DEPUTY HEAD OF DELEGATION MOUAFFAK ALLAF REPLIED TO EGYPT IN EVEN HARSHER TONES. WHY, HE ASKED, DID EGYPT JOIN SYRIA IN THE OCTOBER WAR IF SYRIA'S PRESIDENT AND FOREIGN MINISTER REPRESENTED ONLY THE BA'ATHIST REGIME? EGYPT IN ANY CASE WITHDREW FROM THAT WAR AND LEFT SYRIA ALONE. AS FOR EGYPT'S ASSERTION THAT SYRIA PLANNED TO NEGOTIATE A SEPARATE GOLAN ACCORD, SYRIA WOULD NEVER ACCEPT AN AGREEMENT THAT FROZE THE STATUS QUO AND NULLIFIED ARAB RIGHTS. RECENT EVENTS SHOWED THAT EGYPT AND ISRAEL WERE "PLAYING THE SAME TUNE BECAUSE THEY WERE WORKING UNDER THE SAME MAESTRO". THE US WAS ORCHESTRATING A CAMPAIGN TO GAIN SUPPORT FOR THE SINAI AGREEMENT DESPITE MASS ARAB DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST IT. ALLAF CONCLUDED BY MILDLY REMONSTRATING WITH ISRAEL FOR REMARKS MADE EARLIER BY FOREIGN MINISTER ALLON (SEPTTEL).  
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